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MINUTES

OF THE

NINETIETH ANNUAL

SESSION

OF THE

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

OF REGULAR BAPTISTS

HELD WITH

Liberty Knob Church

Alleghany County

October 3, 4 and 5, 1958

R. F. HARROLD, Moderator ..... Hays, N. C.

CHARLIE MILES, Sec.-Treas. ..... Elkin, N. C.

The next session will convene with Roaring River Church, near Traphill, N. C., to commence on Friday at 11:00 A.M., before the first Sunday in October, 1959. Elder R. A. Cox to preach the introductory sermon. Elder Ivan Dameron, Alternate.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

Barker, M. F. ..... Rt. 1, Roaring River, N. C.

Barker, B. H. ..... Rt. 1, Roaring River, N. C.

Barker, Olin ..... Rt. 1, Roaring River, N. C.

Billings, J. I. ..... Hays, N. C.

Burcham, C. C. ..... Rt. 2, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Cox, R. A. ..... Jonesville, N. C.

Dameron, Ivan ..... Rt. 2, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Dillard, M. C. ..... Hays, N. C.

Harrold, J. C. ..... Rt. 2, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Harrold, R. F. ..... Hays, N. C.

Harrold, Ranzy ..... Hays, N. C.

Hanks, McKinley ..... Hays, N. C.

Holbrook, Dewey ..... Winston-Salem, N. C.

Miles, Charlie ..... 109 Rosedale Drive, Elkin, N. C.

Norman, Spencer ..... Thurmond, N. C.

Sidden, A. C. ..... Rt. 1, Traphill, N. C.

Taylor, George ..... Rt. 2, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

LICENTIATES

Byrd, Elton ..... Dobson, N. C.

Hicks, W. E. ..... Traphill, N. C.

Holbrook, L. B. ..... Rt. 1, Traphill, N. C.

Spicer, J. M. ..... Thurmond, N. C.

Wood, Kenneth ..... Roaring Gap, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS
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NINETIETH ANNUAL SESSION
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Convened with Liberty Knob Baptist Church, Alleghany County, N. C., October 3, 4, and 5, 1958.

Songs: His Loving Kindness, Brethren We Have Met Again.

Services introduced by Elder R. F. Harrold, reading First Corinthians, 2:1-9. Prayer by Elder H. F. Royal.

Introductory sermon, by Elder Spencer Norman, text, 1st. John 3:1. "Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us."

Intermission 30 minutes.

Delegates reassembled in the house.

Song Service conducted by Brother Sherman Roupe.

Moderator called on Elder M. C. Dillard to open the Association, who read St. John 15:1-5, and made timely remarks. Prayer by Elder Don K. Smith.

Called for Associational Letters, 16 were handed in and read by the clerk.

On motion invited newly constituted churches or any regular Baptist Church of our faith and order. None came.

On motion elect Moderator and Clerk by private ballot, nominations to be made for each. The Moderator to appoint tellers.

Elders R. F. Harrold and A. C. Sidden were nominated for Moderator.

Elder Charlie Miles and Brother Sherman Roupe as clerk.

On motion nominations be closed.

Tellers appointed: Elders Don K. Smith, A. C. Wooten and H. F. Royal.

Tellers reported, Elder R. F. Harrold, Moderator and Elder Charlie Miles, Clerk. Report received and tellers discharged.

On motion invite Correspondents of our faith and order; A letter from the Union Baptist Association of Alleghany County, N. C., was handed in and read by the clerk, and the following seated: Elders, Don K. Smith, H. F. Royal, Cleo Poole, M. C. Tedder, Reece Bedsaul, A. C. Wooten; Brethren, Elmer Fender, Carl Andrews, J. L. Moxley, M. F. Joines, R. T. Landreth, Elmer Andrews, Kelly Crouse.

On motion invite transients and visitors of our faith and order, Brother H. M. Joines came forward and was seated.

On motion Moderator be empowered to make all temporary appointments during this session.

The following appointments were made:

Ministry; J. N. Royal, A. M. Holbrook, J. S. Roupe.

Finance; Brett Hawkins, Barney Teague, Oscar Jenkins.

Arrangements; B. C. Speaks, Marcus Blackburn, M. C. Brown, Leo Golden, J. H. Stamper.

On motion, Moderator, Clerk and Correspondents be invited to sit with this committee.

Obituaries; T. A. Miles, M. F. Barker, Carl Wood.

Temperance; J. C. Bowers, W. C. Wiles, Curtis Johnson.

Resolutions; Ted Wiles, Chester Sidden, G. F. Lyon.

Time, Place and Preacher; Martin Harrold, F. A. Royal, R. M. Wyatt.

To write Corresponding Letter, Elder A. C. Sidden.

Committee on Ministry report: for tonight, R. A. Cox, Reece Bedsaul, M. F. Barker. Report received.

On motion adjourn until 10:00 a. m. tomorrow.

Song and handshake.

Closing prayer by Elder A. C. Sidden.

FRIDAY NIGHT, 7:30 P. M.

Service introduced by Brother Kenneth Wood, reading 1st. Corinthians 2:1-9. Prayer by Brother Bill Hicks.

1st. sermon, Elder R. A. Cox, text, Ephesians 4:6.

2nd. sermon, Elder Reece Bedsaul, text, Isaiah 28:16.

Benediction, Elder R. F. Harrold.

SATURDAY, 10:00 A. M.

Song service, Come We That Love The Lord, In All My Lord's Appointed Ways, Hick's Farewell.

Service introduced by Elder C. E. Adams, reading Hebrews, 3:1-19. Song, Amazing Grace. Prayer by Elder A. C. Wooten.

Called for report of the Committee on Arrangements. Report handed in, read and on motion take up items as they appear on the bill.

1. Called roll.

2. Read minutes of yesterday, on motion receive same.

3. Extended an invitation to newly constituted churches, or any regular Baptist Church of our faith and order. None came.

4. Extended an invitation to Correspondents of our faith and order. Elders, J. R. Miles, Ray Andrews, C. E. Bartley, C. E. Adams; Brethren, Joe Higgins, Emmett Lyon, Paul Andrews, Clyde Gillespie, W. S. McKnight, from the Union Association, Alleghany County, N. C., came forward and were seated.

5. Extended an invitation to transients and visitors; Elders, L. E. Felts and Una Holbrook, came forward and were seated.

6. On motion have 1000 minutes printed; the Clerk to be treasurer and have $30.00 for his services.

7. Called on Committee on Temperance to report. They reported:

We your committee on Temperance, advise our churches to be temperate in all things, for the building of God's Kingdom.

Read our Bibles more so we can get more knowledge of God's laws here on earth. Teach our children in the way they should go. Abstain from strong drink. Live a life so others may follow. Be temperate in the doctrine that is preached in our churches. We must see that it is the Gospel of Jesus Christ, so that we should not be led astray by false teachings and hold fast to the faith that was delivered to the saints.

Report received.

W. C. WILES
J. C. BOWERS
CURTIS JOHNSON, Committee.

8. Called on Committee on Obituaries to report. They reported 17 handed in, with 4 pictures and $20.00. Report received and obituaries ordered printed with pictures.

9. Called on Committee on Resolutions to report. They reported: We your Committee on Resolutions submit the following.

1. We thank God for His extended mercies during the past year, and pray that they may be continued through years to come.

2. We advise our brethren and sisters to attend their church meeting regularly, and practice the teachings of the Bible.

3. We advise our brethren to read their Bible closely, that they may discern between sound doctrine and unsound, and close their church doors against men who preach unsound doctrine.

4. May we keep our tongues bridled unless we can speak good about our brothers and sisters.

5. We further advise our deacons to be on the watch, and not hesitate to speak in defense of the old ways, and bring to a halt any strange, new or easy doctrine, which might persuade both saint and sinner to try to justify themselves in evil things.

6. May we encourage our young members to take a more active part in church work.

7. We extend our heartfelt thanks to the brethren and sisters and our many friends for their kind hospitality during this Association.

Report received.

TED WILES
CHESTER SIDDEN
G. F. LYON, Committee.

10. Called on Committee on Ministry to report. They reported:

For Friday night: To open, Elder R. A. Cox; 2nd. Elder Reece Bedsaul; 3rd. Elder M. F. Barker.

For Saturday, 1:00 p. m.: To open, Elder C. C. Burcham, 2nd. Elder A. C. Wooten, 3rd. Elder Don Smith.

For Saturday, 7:30 p. m.: To open, Elder Charlie Miles, 2nd. Elder A. C. Sidden, 3rd Elder C. E. Bartley, 4th. Elder Cleo Poole.

For Sunday, 10:00 a. m.: To open, Elder G. M. Tedder, 2nd. Elder H. F. Royal, 3rd. Moderator R. F. Harrold.

Report received and committee discharged.

J. S. ROUPE
J. N. ROYAL
A. M. HOLBROOK, Committee.

11. Called for Corresponding Letter and appointed Correspondents. Corresponding Letter 1958:

We the Primitive Baptist Association, now in session with Liberty Knob Church, Alleghany County, N. C., desiring to continue the correspondence we have had with you, since the organization of your Association, have written this letter and with it we send the following brethren: Elders, R. F. Harrold, Charlie Miles, A. C. Sidden, R. A. Cox, C. C. Burcham, Spencer Norman, M. C. Dillard and M. F. Barker. Brethren, G. M. Royal, J. N. Royal, F. A. Royal, Barney Teague, B. F. Norman, Leo Golden, Bill Hicks, Earnest Wood and B. C. Speaks.

Whom we hope you will receive in love and that they may by their presence manifest our appreciation of the presence of your brethren at this time.

It seems that the good Lord is blessing this correspondence and may it continue until it finally culminates in our entry together into that eternal home, not made with hands, but eternal and in the Heavens, there to be forever and forever. Amen.

On motion we receive the letter.

A. C. SIDDEN, Committee.

12. Called on Correspondents of last year.

Elders, A. C. Sidden, Charlie Miles, Spencer Norman; Brethren, G. M. Royal, J. N. Royal, R. A. Cox, W. C. Wiles, G. F. Lyon, Leo Golden, Earnest Wood, B. F. Norman and T. A. Miles, reported having attended and were received with welcome and love. They reported a joyful session and expressed a desire to attend again.

On motion we receive their report and excuse those who failed.

13. Called on Committee on Finance to report. They reported: Received from churches, $153.85.

Report received.

14. Called on Committee on Time, Place and Preacher to report. They reported: Time, Friday before the first Sunday in October, at 11:00 a. m., 1959. Place, Roaring River Church. To preach Introductory Sermon, Elder R. A. Cox, alternate Elder Ivan Dameron.

Report received.

15. Called on Elder Charlie Miles to report on condition of Antioch Church. He reported having attended Antioch Church and was welcomed. Elder Spencer Norman also reports visiting them. They have a new building and are getting along well.

Report received.

16. Called on Treasurer of last year to report. He reports:

REPORT OF TREASURER FOR 1957

Balance from 1956	$ 3.08
Received from the churches	157.40
Received for 3 pictures	15.00
Total	$175.48
Paid for printing minutes	$156.00
Clerk's fees	30.00
Total	$186.00

Balance in the hands of the treasurer, none.

Report received.

CHARLIE MILES, Treasurer, 1957

17. Is there any other business? None.

18. On motion dispense with reading minutes of today.

19. On motion adjourn to time and place of our next session.

Moderator called on Elder C. E. Bartley to close the Association. Song: The Day Is Passed and Gone. Prayer by Elder Bartley. Benediction by Elder Charlie Miles.

SATURDAY, 1:30 P. M.

Song Service: 20 minutes led by Brother J. S. Roupe.

1st. Elder C. C. Burcham, read Genesis 22:1-14. Prayer by Elder J. R. Miles.

2nd. Elder A. C. Wooten, read Hebrews 11:1-4.

3rd. Elder Don K. Smith, text, Matthew 3:8. Song and handshake, during which a demonstration of the Holy Spirit filled the hearts of many. Many shouts were heard as all rejoiced in love. Thus closed the ninetieth session of The Primitive Baptist Association.

ELDER R. F. HARROLD, Moderator
ELDER CHARLIE MILES, Clerk.

SATURDAY NIGHT 7:30 P. M.

Song Service, 20 minutes led by Brothers F. A. Royal and J. H. Holbrook.

1st. Elder Charlie Miles, Romans, 12:1.

2nd. Elder A. C. Sidden, Romans, 10:3.

3rd. C. E. Bartley, Rev. 22:1.

4th. Cleo Poole, St. John, 14:11.

Song and handshake. Benediction by Elder A. C. Sidden.

SUNDAY, 10:00 A. M.

Song Service 30 minutes, conducted by Brother J. S. Roupe. Elder G. M. Tedder read St. John 6:43-71. Prayer by Elder Reece Bedsaul.

1st. G. M. Tedder, text, St. Matthew 25:12. "I know you not."

2nd. Elder H. F. Royal, text, 2nd. Timothy 4:2. Preach the Word.

3rd. Elder R. F. Harrold, text, St. Mark 1:11. And there came a voice from Heaven.

Song and handshake. Benediction by Elder A. C. Sidden.

ROLL OF DELEGATES

Antioch: Lonnie Perry, Oscar Jenkins.

Austin: B. C. Speaks, Granville Lyon.

Bethany: Hillery Bryant, Marcus Blackburn, E. M. Wiles.

Double Creek: R. M. Wyatt, A. M. Holbrook.

Garden Creek: M. C. Brown, Nora Gilliam.

Liberty Knob: G. M. Royal, F. A. Royal, Kenneth Wood, Clay Royal, J. N. Royal.

Mining Ridge: R. A. Cox, Cable Cox, Leo Golden, G. F. Lyon, B. F. Norman.

Mountain Valley: J. H. Stamper, Arthur Stamper, Chester Sidden.

New Covenant: T. A. Miles, Tracy Shumate, Reid Miles, Ted Wiles, Albert Miles.

Oak Level: M. F. Barker.

Rachel: J. R. Dimmette, Curtis Johnson, Carl Wood, Abner Caudill.

Roaring River: A. C. Sidden, Bill Hicks, J. C. Bowers, Walter McBride, Mack Brown.

Round Hill: Bland Lowe, W. C. Wiles, Lura Wiles.

Round Mountain: Carlo Brown, C. C. Burcham, J. S. Roupe, M. C. Dillard, T. J. Nelson.

Union: Charlie Miles, Dorothy Royal, Brett Hawkins, Ruby Cox, Connie Church.

Zion: G. E. Dillard, Barney Teague, R. F. Harrold, Martin Harrold.

OBITUARIES

ELLEN BYRD

Sister Ellen Byrd was the widow of John A. Byrd, and daughter of Elder W. F. Gregory, and Celia Ann Adams Gregory. She was born

March 28, 1879, and departed this life March 14, 1958. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. Roy Franklin, one brother, Mr. Elmer Gregory of Mount Airy, N. C.; one sister, Arkie Whitaker of Stanton, Va., and many friends to mourn their loss.

She joined Round Mountain Church, August 11, 1893, and remained a constant member until death. Funeral service was held by Elder Ivan Dameron, and A. F. Walker. Burial was in the church cemetery.

She lacked only 14 days being 79 years old. The floral display and the large congregation was evidence of her many friends.

She has just gone away, blessed are the dead that die in the Lord, they rest from their labor, and their works do follow them. Asleep in Jesus, peaceful rest. We only say so long Sister Byrd; until we meet you on Heaven's bright shore.

Mother, thou wast mild and lovely,
Gentle as the Summer breeze,
Pleasant as the air of evening,
as it floats among the trees.

Peaceful be they silent slumber,
Peaceful in the grave so low;
Thou no more will join our number,
Thou no more our songs shall know.

Dear Mother thou hast left us,
Here, thy loss we deeply feel;
But 'tis God that hath bereft,
He can all our sorrows heal.

Yet again we hope to meet thee,
When the day of life is fled;
Then in Heaven with joy to greet thee,
Where no farewell tears are shed.

This written by Elder A. F. Walker,
one of Sister Byrd's Pastors.

MARY FAYE TRIPLETT LUFFMAN

Mary Faye Triplett Luffman, daughter of the late Toliver Rhudy and Oma Richardson Triplett, was born in Wilkes County July 17, 1900

and passed away March 12, 1958 being 57 years, 7 months, and 22 days.

She professed faith in Christ in 1942. On October 27, 1917 she was married to J. W. Luffman of Clarksville, Va. who survives. Also, surviving are four sons, Reece Luffman of Petersburg, Va., Troy, J. N. and James Luffman of Clarksville. Two sisters, Mrs. Martha Lou Holloway of Traphill and Mrs. Fannie Holbrook of Traphill. One brother Hardin Triplett of Traphill and seven grandchildren. A host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. While it is our loss we believe Heaven is her gain.

A precious one from us is gone
A voice we loved is still
A place is vacant in our home
Which never can be filled.
Gone but not forgotten.

JOHN PRESTON BROOKS

John Preston Brooks, son of the late Elder John Wesley and Rose Ann Royal Brooks. Born January 11, 1872; died January 19, 1958. Age 86 years, 8 days.

Married to Margaret Brooks, unto this union was born one daughter, Mrs. Dora Cothren.

Professed a hope in Christ and united with Garden Creek Church August 23, 1899, where his membership remained.

Was ordained a deacon the first Saturday in November, 1912. He was also clerk of the church for a number of years.

He leaves his daughter, six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; two brothers, Levi Brooks, Thurmond, N. C., Hardin Brooks, Greensboro, N. C.; four sisters, Mrs. W. A. Royal, Thurmond, N. C., Mrs. Charlie Haynes, Elkin, N. C., Mrs. S. S. Thompson, State Road, N. C., Mrs. Neill Cheek, Thurmond, N. C.; with unnumbered friends and relatives to mourn their loss, but who confidently believe Heaven is his gain.

In the border land, we understand
The saints are robed in white,
So if our loved ones go, from us below,
We may again unite.

With never a pain, where Christ shall reign,
His face shall be the light,
Around the throne, with all God's own,
Where never cometh night.

JAMES ALLEN HINCHER

James Allen Hincher, son of the late Thomas Jefferson and Millie Ann Absher Hincher, was born July 9, 1883 and died October 26, 1957, at the age of 74 years, 3 months and 17 days.

He was married to Octavia Reeves May 1, 1911 and to this union were born nine children: Oma Spicer, Traphill, N. C.; Minnie Royall, Roaring Gap, N. C.; Sam Hincher, State Road, N. C ; Ambrose Hincher, Traphill, N. C.; Osco Hincher, Traphill, N. C.; John Hincher, Winston-

Salem, N. C.; Albert Hincher, State Road, N. C.; Violene Bowers, State Road, N. C.; Izzie Nixon, State Road, N. C.

He is survived by four brother, William Hincher, Traphill, N. C.; Felix Hincher, Ennice, N. C.; Iredell Hincher, Traphill, N. C., and Reed Hincher, Thurmond, N. C.; one sister Leota Brooks, Thurmond, N. C., 37 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He professed a hope in Christ in early life and united with Roaring River Baptist church, where his membership remained.

Funeral services were conducted at Roaring River Baptist church by Elders L. E. Sparks and Charlie Miles, and burial was in the church cemetery.

In his quiet way, he met each day,
Was a friend to all he met,
Weighed well each word, when it was heard,
And paid his every debt.

Rejoiced in heart, and did well his part
His master's cause to build,
Was slow to speak, and very meek,
And always reason filled.

He did his best, to earn that rest,
Where never comes a sigh,
That his weary feet, might walk the street,
In his Fathers home on high.

CLAYTON HAROLD ROYAL

Clayton Harold Royal, born November 20, 1940, died December 23, 1957, making his stay on earth 17 years, 1 month, 3 days.

He was the son of Rev. Franklin Cloey Royal. His brothers are Oscar Leander Royal, Franklin Junior Royal, Melvin Leroy Royal of the home. His sisters are: Mrs. James Perry of Sparta, N. C., Mrs. Arthur Bare of Glendale Springs, Mrs. R. L. Woodie of White Head, N. C., Mrs. Ray Sheets of Concord, N. C., Mrs. Robert Sheets, Kannapolis, N. C., and Shirley N. Royal of the home.

This boy lived a good moral life and was loved by all that knew him.

Funeral services were held at Antioch Baptist Church by the Rev. V. L. Jenkins and Rev. Wade Houck.

Written by Elder V. L. Jenkins.

RACHEL OCTAVIA REEVES HINCHER

Rachel Octavia Reeves Hincher, daughter of the late Samuel and Carolina Faw Reeves, was born December 6, 1891, and died July 31, 1958, at the age of 66 years, 7 months and 25 days.

She was married to James Hincher May 1, 1911 and to this union

were born nine children: Oma Spicer, Traphill, N. C.; Minnie Royall, Roaring Gap, N. C.; Sam Hincher, State Road, N. C.; Ambrose Hincher, Traphill, N. C.; Osco Hincher, Traphill, N. C.; John Hincher, Winston-Salem, N. C.; Albert Hincher, State Road, N. C.; Violene Bowers, State Road, N. C.; Izzie Nixon, State Road, N. C.

She is survived by two brothers, J. A. Reeves and I. D. Reeves of Millers Creek, N. C., 37 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She professed a hope in Christ and united with Roaring River Baptist church in 1917, where her membership remained, being one of the most loyal members as long as health permitted her attendance.

Though she was blind, yet in her mind,
She saw both wrong and right,
It was her choice, to hear your voice,
Her friends were her delight.

Her church dear, she had no fear,
That it would suffer loss,
For by Christ's power, in His dying hour,
He saved it on the cross.

Now may she rest, with all the blest,
While history writes new pages,
But never a fear, to her comes near,
Throughout all endless ages.

JOHN ARLIE BROOKS

John Arlie Brooks was born October 15, 1876, and died November 5, 1957, at the age of 81 years and 20 days.

He was married to Flora C. Baugess December 16, 1900. Unto this union were born four children; Mrs. Carrie Maness of Lenoir, N. C.; Mr. Ivey Brooks of Winston-Salem, N. C.; Mrs. Iona Smith of Traphill, N. C., and Mrs. Della Cockerham of Elkin, N. C.

In addition to his wife and children he leaves seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

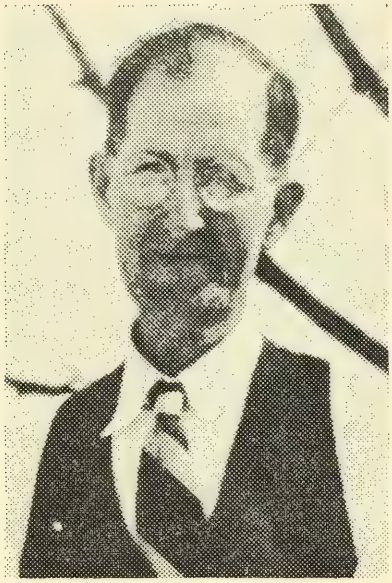
He lived a good moral life, was honest, truthful and kind. He professed a hope in Christ and talked about joining the church and being baptized but did not do so. He attended church pretty regular as long as he was able.

His home was a home where good behaved visitors were always welcome. A special invitation to preachers was extended and if accepted he did all he could to make their visit an enjoyable one. Good food, a good conversation filled in with wit and humor, he was so adept at, that one always left with a desire for another visit.

He lived a useful life
In this world of strife.
He did not shirk any work,
Though he was tired
And the work was hard
He toiled on and finished the job.

In patience he was great
His kindness hard to estimate.
His skill was more than most
But he never was one to boast.
He now has a well earned rest
In the care of One who knows best.

JAMES ARTHUR JENKINS



James Arthur Jenkins, born October 17, 1885; died July 14, 1958, making his stay on earth, 72 years, 9 months, 3 days.

Married to Loviza Bumgarner, who preceded him in death. To this union was born six children, four boys and two girls, who are all living.

He professed a hope in Christ in early life, and enjoyed his church and was loved by all that knew him. He was a good husband, but he has gone to ever be with the Lord.

Weep not for me dear children,
Let not this grieve your heart,
But meet me up in heaven,
Where we shall never part.

Written by his brother,
Rev. V. L. Jenkins.

WILMA SUE SHUMATE

Wilma Sue Shumate, daughter of Tracy and Faye Miles Shumate, was born August 29, 1947, died December 23, 1957. Age 10 years, 3 months, 24 days.

She is survived by her father and mother; three brothers, Bob, Rex and Howard Shumate; one sister, Dianne Shumate, all of the home; also her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Miles and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Shumate of Hays, N. C.

Funeral service was conducted at New Covenant Church in the presence of a large congregation of sorrowing relatives, friends and classmates, by Elders Arthur Gambill, J. S. Bryant and Charlie Miles. Her body was laid to rest in the church cemetery to await the Resurrection.

For ten short years we saw your smile,
Its hid from us now for a while,
Long, long days for you we'll weep,
Since we can't hear your voice so sweet.

But we won't tell our Sue goodbye,
Just farewell darling, 'till we meet on high.

MRS. ELLEN FELTS BYRD WOOD

Mrs. Ellen Felts Byrd Wood was born December 17, 1881. She died November 23, 1956 at the age of 74. Mrs. Wood was the daughter of Newton and Celia Johnson Felts.

She was married to Jim Byrd October 15, 1899, who preceded her

in death December 24, 1911. To this union was born two children, Mr. Brady C. Byrd and Mrs. Zeb Wood, both of whom survive.

She was later married to Rev. J. O. Wood who also preceded her in death March 1934.

Mrs. Wood professed a hope in Christ in early life and joined Round Mountain Baptist Church where she was a member at the time of her death.

In addition to her two children she is survived by three brothers: J. C. and Harrison Felts of Hays, Robert Felts of North Wilkesboro, Route 2, and two sisters, Mrs. Almedia Myers and Mrs. Rhoda Roope both of Hays, thirteen grandchildren and twenty great-grandchildren. She also leaves a host of friends to mourn their loss, but we feel that our loss is Heaven's eternal gain.

WILLIAM EDGAR REYNOLDS

William Edgar (Bud) Reynolds, son of Silas Reynolds and the late Ida Porter Reynolds, born in Wilkes County, N. C., May 2, 1903, died June 2, 1958, age 55 years and one month.

Cause of death was attributed to a recurrence of a malignant brain tumor, for which he underwent surgery one year ago.

Married to Mattie Billings, June 7, 1930. To this union was born two sons, Robert, who preceded him in death January 25, 1947 and W. E. (Bud) who survives.

He professed a hope in Christ and joined North Wilkesboro Baptist Church in early life, later moved his membership to New Covenant Baptist Church where he remained a faithful member until death.

Surviving are his wife and son, his father, four brothers, Eugene and Frank of North Wilkesboro, Ben Reynolds, North Wilkesboro, Route 2, Philmore Reynolds, Los Angeles, California; two sisters, Mrs. W. L. Wyatt, of Winston-Salem, and Mrs. Estelle Simons of Muncie, Indiana.

Funeral services were conducted at New Covenant Baptist Church by Elders Jimmie Bryant and Arthur Gambill. Burial was in the church cemetery.

A husband dear, who was so near,
Has passed us in life's race,
Has gone to dwell, where all is well,
And left a vacant place.

We do not tell, loved ones farewell,
We only say goodbye,
And cast our eyes, to fairer skies,
Our Father's home on high.

VICTORIA WARREN WADDELL

Victoria Warren Waddell, born December 1, 1872, died December 28, 1956.

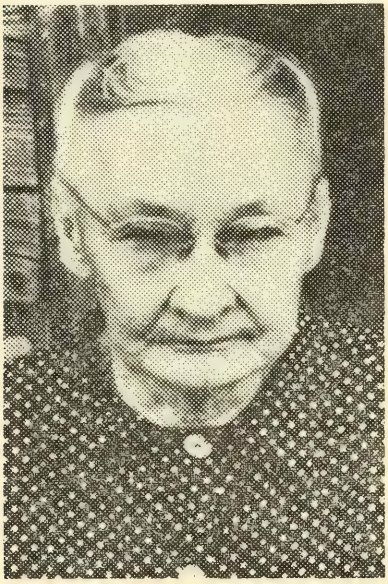
She was married to J. W. Waddell August 28, 1902. To this union was born five children. Two preceded her in death and three are living. She united with Round Mountain Baptist Church December 3, 1921 and remained a faithful member until death.

Weep not for me dear children,
Let not this grieve your heart,
But meet me up in Heaven,
Where we shall never part.

MARY FRANCES WOOD BREWER

Mary Frances Wood Brewer, daughter of the late Lafayette and Lucy Hendrix Wood was born November 8, 1875. She quietly passed away March 25, 1958, making her stay on earth 82 years, four months and 17 days.

She was married to Addison Brewer March 9, 1899. Unto this union was born six children, four of whom survive, Roy Brewer, Mrs. Laura Harrold, Mrs. Minerva Walker and Minnie Brewer, all of Hays.



Her husband and one son and one daughter passed on before her to the great beyond.

She professed a hope in Christ Jesus in early life and united with Round Mountain Baptist Church. She was granted a letter of dismission from Round Mountain Church and joined Haymeadow Baptist Church. She was granted a letter of dismission from Haymeadow Baptist Church and reunited she remained a faithful member until death.

During her sickness she would often talk of Jesus, sing the old Hymns and clap her feeble hands for joy. She said the night before she died, she wanted to see Jesus.

She leaves a host of friends and relatives with the children and six grandchildren to mourn their loss, but we are comforted by the knowledge that she has gone where there is no more pain, no weeping, and that our loss is her eternal gain.

Funeral services were conducted at Round Mountain Church by Elders Ivan Dameron, C. C. Burcham, M. C. Dillard, H. F. Royal, D. C. Miller, and Ranzy Harrold and Wirt Walker. The body was laid to rest in the church cemetery.

Mother has left a world of suffering,
Has left a world of sin and woe,
She has gone to live with Jesus,
On that bright celestial shore.

Her pale face in its accustomed place,
We will not see again,
But we hope to meet her in the skies,
Where there is no more pain.

Weep not for me dear children,
Let not this grieve your heart,
But meet me up in Heaven,
Where we will never part.

Written by the Children

MARY ANN HOLLOWAY CROUSE

Mary Ann Holloway Crouse, daughter of the late Edgewood and Ellen Norman Holloway was born November 21, 1880, died September 5, 1958. Age 77 years, nine months and 12 days.

She was married to Martin Crouse December, 1905. Unto this union was born two children, Mrs. Jennie Lyon of Traphill and Mrs. Cora Darnell, Elkin.

Early in life she professed a hope in Christ and joined Garden Creek Baptist Church, later moved her membership to Round Hill Baptist Church, where she remained a member.

She leaves two loving children, two brothers, Hort Holloway, Elkin, Walter Holloway, Jonesville, one sister, Mrs. Frances Brown, Burlington, and a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. While it is our loss we believe Heaven is her gain. Gone but not forgotten.

NONA GEANIE BROWN OWENS

Nona Geanie Brown Owens was born July 18, 1891, daughter of James Presley (Buster) Jane Brown, died September 21, 1958 making her stay on earth 67 years, two months and four days.

She was married to J. F. Owens July 17, 1909. To this union was born the following children, Monroe and Crusoe Owens, North Wilkesboro, Route 1.

She professed a hope in Christ August 7, 1907 and united with Center Baptist Church, later moved her membership to Zion Baptist Church, and later to Round Mountain Baptist Church where she remained a faithful member until death.

She leaves a mourning companion and children, a host of friends and relatives and five grandchildren, two sisters, Mrs. D. L. Church and Mrs. Arthur Miller, North Wilkesboro, four brothers and a sister preceded her in death.

She ran her race at the old homeplace,
Where all was quiet and still,
But God was there in song or prayer,
And she could learn his will.

She has left a world of suffering,
She has left a world of sin and woe,
Gone up there to live with Jesus,
Where sad partings come no more.

ALVIS JACKSON RICHARDSON

Alvis Jackson Richardson was born November 2, 1874 in Walnut Grove community of Wilkes County to Franklin and Louise (Blevins) Richardson. He died July 23, 1958, age 83 years, eight months and 21 days.

He was married to Geneva Prevette August 10, 1899. To this union was born nine children, two deceased and seven living, namely: Nanie Jane, Samantha, Isaac, Lexie, Grace, Ruby, and G. C. One sister, Mrs. Nannie Bauguess of North Wilkesboro Route 1, 22 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

He professed a hope in Jesus Christ early in life and was united to the Baptist Church of Round Hill where he remained until death. He was a kind and loving husband and father.

Oh Dear Father, how we will miss you in this land below.
May your memories linger with us until we are called to go.

HATTIE JANE HOLBROOK COMBS

Hattie Jane Holbrook Combs, daughter of Willie A. and Carrie Jane Holbrook, born February 18, 1899, died October 19, 1957, age 58 years, eight months and one day.

Early in life she professed a hope in Christ and joined the church at Round Hill where she remained a member.

She was married to Ed C. Combs March 21, 1920. To this union was born ten children, eight living and 2 dead.

The living are: Fonzo Combs, Mrs. Dessie Tysinger, Lexington, Mrs. Lessie Moody, Mocksville, Mrs. Tessie Moody, Wake Forest, Mrs. Emma Tysinger, El Paso, Texas, Clollan Combs, Willard Combs, Mrs. Effie Combs, Denton. Her two children, her father, four brothers and three sisters preceded her in death some years ago.

She leaves her weeping husband, eight loving children, 20 grandchildren, her mother, five brothers, Rev. Dewey Holbrook, Vestal Holbrook, Winston-Salem, Lester Holbrook, Clay Holbrook, Willie Holbrook, all of Traphill, one sister Mrs. Mattie Hinson, Traphill, and a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. While it is our loss we hope Heaven is her gain.

A precious one from us is gone,
A voice we loved is still,
A place is vacant in our home,
Which never can be filled.
Gone but not forgotten.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be known by the name of Primitive Baptist Association, and shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union and duly sent to represent in the Association; who on producing letters from their respective churches, certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to the seats. Each church shall be entitled to five delegates. In their letters is to be expressed their number in full fellowship, baptized, received by letter, by application and good recommendation, dismissed by letter, excluded, and dead since last Association.

2. The number thus chosen and convened have no power to Lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have an ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe any internal right over any church in her union.

3. The Association when convened shall be governed by a regular decorum.

4. The Association shall have a Moderator and Secretary, who shall be chosen annually by a majority of the votes of the members present, a majority of the churches being represented.

5. New church of any regular Baptist Church of Jesus Christ of our Faith and Order in good standing, either dismissed by letter from Sister Association, or by application and good recommendation, by sending up letter and delegates shall be admitted into the union.

6. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

7. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

8. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of its proceedings, the best method of accomplishing this purpose shall be at the discretion of the future Association.

9. We think it necessary to have an association fund to defray the expenses of the Association, and it the duty of each church in the union to contribute such sums as they think proper to the Association, and those monies shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer who will be accountable to the Association for the same, and the Association shall appropriate the money thus contributed to any purpose they may think proper.

10. There shall be an Association book wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be recorded by a Secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a reasonable compensation for his services.

11. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if necessary, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association adjourns.

12. Amendment to this form of Government may be made at

any time, by a majority of the Association, when they may deem it expedient, by giving the churches twelve months' notice.

13. The Association shall act as advisory council and shall preserve a chain of communion among the churches and give advice in matters of difficulty.

14. The Association shall inquire into the cause if any church fails to represent at any time in the Association.

15. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in her union that shall violate the rules of this Constitution or deviate from the orthodox principles of the Gospel.

16. The Association may correspond with Sister Associations and invite any brother in the ministry in good standing or that can bring a good recommendation of his standing who may be of our faith and order to a seat in the Association, who may be present at the time of its sitting.

17. The Association shall have power to adjourn to any future time or place it may think proper.

18. The benevolent institutions of the day shall be no bar nor test to fellowship, but all shall be free to sustain or not sustain the same as they may choose.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. This Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at the same time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.

3. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, until he is done speaking.

4. He shall strictly adhere to his subject, and in no wise reflect on the person who speaks before, by making remarks on his slips, failings, or imperfections, but shall fairly state the matter as clearly as he can, so as to convey his light or idea.

5. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association, without liberty obtained from the body, for his absence.

6. No person shall speak more than three times on one subject, without liberty obtained from the Association.

7. No member of the Association shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same, nor whispering in time of public speech.

8. No member of the Association shall address another by any other appellation than that of Brother.

9. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member, nor prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he violates the Rules of Decorum.

10. The names of the several members of the Association shall

be enrolled by the Secretary and called over as often as the Association requires.

11. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any other member, provided the chair be filled, but he shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided, then he may give the casting vote.

12. Any member who shall willfully and knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association, as shall be deemed proper.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one only true and living God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and these three are One.

2. We believe that the scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the Word of God, and the only rule of Faith and Practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of Election by Grace.

4. We believe in the doctrine of Original Sin, and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, by his own free will and ability.

5. We believe that sinners are called, converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit, and that all who are thus regenerated and are born again by the spirit of God, shall never finally fall away.

6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God, only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

7. We believe that Baptism, the Lord's Supper and Feet Washing are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the only subjects of these ordinances, and we believe the only true mode of Baptism is by immersion.

8. We believe in the Resurrection of the dead and a general judgment, and that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

9. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinance of the Gospel, except such as the regularly called, and come under the imposition of hands by the presbytery.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS	CLERKS AND ADDRESSES	Ordained Ministers	Licentiates	Sat. of Church Meeting	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter	Restored	Received by Application	Lost by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Contribution	Time of Communion
Antioch	V. L. Jenkins	Mrs. Vester E. Jenkins, Purlear			1	4			1				29	5.00	July
Austin	R. A. Cox	B. C. Speaks, Traphill	1		1	7	7			1			79	11.00	July
Bethany	Hillery Blevins	Glenn Wood, R2, N. Wilkesboro	1	1	4					2		2	102	6.00	Aug.
Double Creek	Arthur Gambill, Berch Handy	A. M. Holbrook			2								45	6.00	Aug.
Garden Creek	Charlie Miles	M. C. Brown, Traphill			1							1	9	3.00	Aug.
Liberty Knob	Charlie Miles, Howard F. Royal	J. N. Royall, Roaring Gap		1	3	3				1			41	21.00	Aug.
Mining Ridge	R. F. Harrold, Charlie Miles—														
	Spencer Norman, R. A. Cox	Cable Cox, Thurmond	2		2	4							41	9.00	Aug.
Mountain Valley	Arthur Gambill	J. H. Stamper, McGrady			1	1	1						102	7.00	Aug.
New Covenant	Arthur Gambill	T. A. Miles, Hays			3	1						1	102	13.00	Aug.
Oak Level	Olin Barker	Robert Barker, R. River	2	1	3	2				1			129	10.00	Aug.
Rachel	L. E. Sparks	Curtis Johnson, R1, R. River	1		1	2	2	1	1	4			196	8.75	Aug.
Roaring River	A. C. Sidden, Charlie Miles	Etta Brown, R1, Traphill	2	2	4					2		2	135	12.10	July
Round Hill	L. E. Sparks, Dewey Holbrook	Bland Lowe, State Road	1		2	4				3	1	3	100	10.00	Aug.
Round Mtn.	M. C. Dillard, Ivan Dameron	Ray Blevins, Hays	3		1		3					3	73	10.00	Aug.
Union	Charlie Miles	Dorothy Royal, Thurmond	1		2	1	1						91	12.00	July
Zion	R. F. Harrold, D. C. Miller—														
	Ranzy Harrold	G. E. Dillard, R1, McGrady	3		4		1						71	10.00	July
TOTALS			17	5		29	15	1	2	14	1	12	1345	153.85	

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENT	SECRETARY	Number Teachers	Enrolled	Average Attendance	Months Kept Open
Austin	B. C. Speaks	Bertha Hanks	5	79	52	12
Bethany	George Taylor	Marjorie Caudill	3	76	50	12
Double Creek	Claude Sidden	Benny Alexander	3	45	17	9
Mining Ridge	G. F. Lyon	Lexie Lyon	3	75	50	12
Mountain Valley	Chester Sidden	Lillian Stamper	4	50	30	6
New Covenant	Ted Wiles	Margie Wiles	5	77	50	12
Oak Level	Alton Carter	Dicie Gentry	6	128	80	12
Rachel	Curtis Johnson	Mary E. McCann	6	117	81	12
Round Hill	Mack Holbrook	Ruth Brooks	3	65	40	12
Round Mountain	J. E. Caudill	Marie Brown	3	60	40	12
Union	John R. Royal	H. W. Cox	5	107	63	12
Zion	Ranzy Harrold	Frances Lineberry	4	115	75	12
TOTALS			50	994	524	

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